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Application No. Applicant(s) 10/721,110 COBBLEY ET AL. Notice of Allowability Examiner Art Unit Russell M. Kobert 2829 -- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS. This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308. 1. This communication is responsive to the Request for Reconsideration filed March 4, 2005. 2. The allowed claim(s) is/are 1,2 and 13-18. 3. The drawings filed on 10 December 2004 and 24 November 2003 are accepted by the Examiner. 4. Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f). a) 🗌 All b) Some* c) None 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received. 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)). * Certified copies not received: ___ Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application. THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE. 5. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient. 6. CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted. (a) Including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached 1) I hereto or 2) I to Paper No./Mail Date (b) including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d). 7. DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL. Attachment(s) 1. Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) 5. Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) 2. Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) 6. Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date 3. Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08). 7. X Examiner's Amendment/Comment Paper No./Mail Date 11/03, 03/04, 06/04 4. Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit 8. X Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance of Biological Material 9. Other _____.

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Response to Arguments

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1. Applicant's request for reconsideration, filed March 4, 2005, of the finality of the

rejection of the last Office action is persuasive and, therefore, the finality of that action is

withdrawn.

Examiner's Amendment

2. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes

and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided

by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be

submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

3. This application is in condition for allowance except for the presence of claims 3-

12 to species non-elected without traverse. Accordingly, claims 3-12 have been

cancelled.

Reasons for Allowance

4. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

A process of electrically testing a flip-chip semiconductor assembly according to the order of sequential steps of:

- (1) Directly detachably contacting a surface of a substrate with probes
- (2) While the substrate is in contact with the probes, bringing a die and the substrate together in conductive contact to form the flip-chip semiconductor assembly
- (3) Electrically testing the assembly using the probes before the die is sealed

 As described in claim 1 has not been found. It is further noted that the examiner's
 reasons are understood to be predicated upon consideration of each of the claims as a
 whole, and not upon any specific elements of the claims.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Russell Kobert whose telephone number is (571) 272-1963.

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